Segregated nanofiller: Recent development in polymer-based composites and its applications

A. Alfred^a, S.S. Jamari^a, M. Mariatti^b, S. Ghazali^a

 ^a Faculty of Chemical and Process Engineering Technology, University Malaysia Pahang, Lebuh Persiaran Tun Khalil Yaakob, 26300 Kuantan, Pahang, Malaysia
^b School of Materials and Mineral Resources Engineering, Universiti Sains Malaysia, Engineering Campus, 14300 Nibong Tebal, Seberang Prai Selatan, Penang, Malaysia

ABSTRACT

An ordinary conductive polymer composite (CPCs) generally requires high amount of conductive filler at insulator to conductor transition, need complex processing and display poor mechanical properties. High value of the conductivity with outstanding mechanical properties can be achieved by segregated conductive polymer composite (s-CPCs) which somehow is still challenging and required more extensive research. To understand more on the formation and properties of the s-CPCs, this review briefly discussed on general information on the s-CPCs, the morphology in term of filler dispersion, the factors affecting the properties (e.g. types of polymer host, types of filler, concentration of the conductive filler), and the potential applications of s-CPC.

KEYWORDS

Segregated filler; Polymer composite; Conductive filler; Conductive polymer; Applications

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The authors would like to thank the Ministry of Higher Education for providing financial support under Fundamental Research Grant Scheme (FRGS) No. FRGS/1/2019/TK05/UMP/02/4 (University reference RDU1901125) and Universiti Malaysia Pahang.